9 (6 per cent) developed tuberculosis during 30 months of follow up. In another study aimed to determine the proportion of patients with tuberculosis who tested positive for HIV, it has been found that of 3037 patients screened at Vellore, 33 were also positive for HIV (ELISA and Western Blot). In a similar study at Madras, 5.5 per cent of (330/6022) of patients with Chest symptoms were detected to be HIV positive. According to a WHO document, similar studies have also been undertaken by J J. Group of Hospitals, Bombay where 6.3 per cent of (12/189) tuberculosis patients are found to be seropositive for HIV

Setting up of Special Hospital by NRI Group at NOIDA

8182. SHRI SARADA MOHANTY:
SHRI PRAVAT KUMAR SAMANTARAY:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether a group of Non-resident Indians (NRIs) is very keen to set up a special hospital at Noida;

(b) if so, the details of the suggestions made by that group;

(c) whether permission is being given to the group to set up the hospital; and

(d) if so, what is the latest position with regard the establishment of that hospital?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (DR. C. SILVERA): (a) No such information is available.

(b) to (d) Do not arise.

Eradication of Polio from Orissa

8183. SHRI SARADA MOHANTY:
SHRI PRAVAT KUMAR SAMANTARAY:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have a proposal to make Orissa a polio free State;

(b) if so, the achievements made in this regard so far;

(c) what is the prevailing situation in other States with regard to polio; and

(d) the detail of the UNICEF aid and assistance made available during the last three years for the eradication of polio?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI PABAN SINGH GHATOWAR): (a) The Government have the objective of eradicating polio by 2000 A.D. in the country.

(b) The number of reported cases has come down from 1843 in 1987 to 86 in 1994 in the State of Orissa.

(c) and (d) A statement is annexed.

Statement

Reported poliomyelitis cases during 1987 and 1994

S.No.	State/U.T.	1987	1994
1	Andhra Pradesh	3484	1669
2	Aruanchal Pradesh	4	0